FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Friends of St Vincent’s,

Enrolment interviews for Kindergarten 2018 are well underway. This has been an exciting time to connect with continuing families and to also welcome new families to the school community. I am in awe of the time and commitment families demonstrate in terms of the provision of love, care and nurturing for their children. At this interview I like to gauge current family perspectives of our great school. One of the questions I ask existing families is what draws them back to St Vincent’s (perhaps for the third or fourth time!) A common reply is how much our families value the sense of community here at St Vincent’s. Parents rave about the support they are given as soon as they enter our front door (I am sure you will join me in thanking our Front Office manager, Nicole, whose welcome and offer of assistance reassures families on a daily basis.) Parents speak highly of the quality of teachers at St Vincent’s and highly rate their professionalism and outreach to the needs of their children. The next question I ask is how families will support our school community during their time here. I trust that families know that our doors are always open and we appreciate every offer of help...canteen, craft, literacy publishing, weekly bike riding, sport carnivals, excursions ... the list is endless.

This Friday night all families have an opportunity to come along to the school Bush Dance, showing support for this initiative being hosted by the School Community Council, meet other families and enjoy the company of each other. The evenings entertainment will be called by live band: The Flaming Galahs and I know you and your children will have an awesome night. Please come along!

Wishing everyone a great week and thanking you for your ongoing support and encouragement.

Lina Vigliotta
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ST VINCENT’S PARISH WEEKEND MASS TIMES
Saturday Vigil-6pm
Sunday-10am
Parish: 6251 1525

RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE BUSH DANCE
THE MAJOR PRIZE IS A TRAVEL VOUCHER FROM JAMISON TRAVEL FOR $500
TICKETS ARE ONLY $2
June is the first month where we relax our rules around wearing a broad brimmed hat at school. Sun Smart recommendations highlight the importance of exposure to sun throughout the winter months when the UV rating is low, to help our bodies build as much Vitamin D as possible. Students are welcome to wear a navy beanie outside if they are cold. You can find more information about Sun Smart practices at http://www.sunsmart.com.au

**FUN FOOD DAY**

Tomorrow is the last day for orders for next Wednesday’s Burger Fun Food day. Options of a beef burger, veggie burger or chicken nuggets are available. Thankyou to Bronwyn and Louise Georgiadis for baking the mega cookie treats.

**SCHOOL FEES**

Thankyou to families who have paid their school fees. Fees can be paid by credit card, eftpos or Bpay. All outstanding school fees are now overdue. It is imperative that an appointment is made with me to discuss any outstanding fees.

**CLUB4KIDS**

Families coming to our Club4Kids playgroup sessions on a Wednesday morning are building partnerships with each other and their children. Jacinta Putt welcomes current and new families every Wednesday 9.30 -11am. Each session includes challenging and scaffolding activities which aim to extend children’s experiences. No need to book in to sessions, just come along.
**FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

**ROSTRUM FINALS**

Last Friday, six students from Year 6 were selected to present their speeches to the school community at the St Vincent’s Rostrum School Final. The purpose of the school final is to determine which student will go on to represent St Vincent’s at the Quarter Final, to be held next Tuesday 6 June at Macquarie Primary School.

**Matilda** was our first speaker and she spoke about the effects of Climate Change giving apologies on behalf of the children of today to the future. Matilda spoke clearly and confidently and the audience loved her catch phrases at the end re-use, re-think, re-cycle!

**Escha** cleverly linked creativity with fact in her speech 50yrs from now ‘Just imagine’. She entertained the audience with her description about the re-introduction of wolves into Yellow Stone National Park and the link to making changes now for the future.

**Harry** spoke about Australia Day and made sound comparisons to other important National Days such as ANZAC Day and Sorry Day. Harry’s speech had a clever and creative ending with a new verse for the National Anthem.

**Maria** gave us an informative and passionate speech about Australia Day. The audience loved her account of how her family spends this important day “in the scorching heat, on a homemade water slide but most importantly with family and friends”

**Angela** whisked us away to 50 years from now to a world with flying cars and hover boards! She entertained the audience with her clever lines, an animated voice and light hearted format. Angie reminded us about how time is unpredictable and how transport has changed from 50 years ago to now.

**Julius** spoke about the actual potential of future transport modes and the audience loved his description of the car pod and driverless cars. However, I’m sure we will still hear the sound of a supercharged v8 engine in 50yrs time, even if it is virtual!!

We congratulate Julius, who has been selected to represent St Vincent’s at the Quarter Final and Angela as the Runner Up.

With best wishes,
Lisa
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**AWARDS**

We congratulate the following recipients of this weeks awards

**KINDER YELLOW:** Julia L, Leon G

**YEAR 1 BLUE:** Dud C

**YEAR 2 YELLOW:** Scarlett C, Jacob D

**YEAR 3/4 BLUE:** Patrick B, Maegan C, Joshua N

**YEAR 3/4 YELLOW:** Jude K, Peter T, Alex T

Due to tomorrow’s Prayer Assembly, these awards will be given out at Monday morning’s assembly.

**YEAR 5 BLUE:** Leah S, Sasha S

**YEAR 5 YELLOW:** Harry M, Lara D

**YEAR 6 BLUE:** Verity S, Sienna O

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**BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday to the following students celebrating their birthday over the coming week:

Samuel V
‘You are Called…’

Jesus said to them, “Come with me, and I will teach you to catch people.” At once they left their nets and went with him.

(Matthew 4:19-20)

Pentecost Sunday

This weekend we will celebrate Pentecost Sunday. This important feast concludes the season of Easter.

Pentecost is the celebration of the Holy Spirit descending upon the disciples after the death and resurrection of Jesus. The Holy Spirit is part of the Trinity — God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit was meant to empower the disciples to share God’s love with others after Jesus’ death and resurrection. The Holy Spirit is present with us today for that same purpose — to be a source of inspiration, comfort, and an advocate on our faith journey. (Busted Halo, 2014)

Christian Meditation for Parents

If you are interested in hearing more about meditation in the Christian tradition, there will be a parent workshop held at school on Tuesday, 27 June at 9am.

Important Dates

Prayer Celebration – A Worker Approved by God – 5 Yellow – TOMORROW at 9:00am

35th Anniversary of Blessing of St Vincent’s Church-9.30am Mass. All Welcome!

Peace and best wishes,

Luke Maher, Religious Education Coordinator

FROM THE PARISH

Children’s Liturgy will be held during 10am Mass, this Sunday, 4 June in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

CANTEEN

Order your children’s lunches online – www.flexischools.com.au

This Week’s Specials are: Tomato Soup—$1.00

Macaroni and Cheese (tomato based)—$4.00

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Connecting with texts

Making meaningful connections with our class novel about a beloved children's toy named 'Edward Tullane'. We had a great day with our much loved teddies enjoying a teddy bears picnic, writing stories about our teddies adventures and some soft cuddles.

National Sorry Day

Acknowledging National Sorry Day and Reconciliation week at our school. Let's take the next steps together!

God's Creation

Enjoying all of the natural things that God has made and all its beauty and wonder.

Mathematics: Analogue and digital time

Showing o'clock and half past times on analogue clocks in maths.

Oh the Places You'll Go

This is us creating a map of our school. Our school is a constructed environment. We also have some managed environments surrounding our school.
On Tuesday, St Vincent’s had 42 students running at Stromlo Forest Park in the PSSA Cross Country. We were lucky to have a sunny day in what started out as a very frosty morning. Congratulations to all the students who competed and represented our school with pride and sportsmanship. Cross Country running is an endurance event that takes not only fitness but determination. Many thanks to the parents and carers for your assistance and support on the day.

After placing in the top ten the following students will compete in the ACT Cross Country Championships on 14, June 2017: Jacob D- 3rd Place, Charlotte N- 4th Place, Mia K- 6th Place, Harry M 6th Place
Angela Luchetti

**SPORTS NEWS-BELCONNEN ZONE CROSS COUNTRY Tuesday, 30 May 2017**

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB-Issue 4**

Issue 4 went home today and all orders must to be completed by Thursday, 15 June (Week 8).

Orders can be made with cash or the preferred option of online banking, called LOOP (Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents). The main difference with LOOP is there is no need to return the paper order form or payment receipt details back to school. If you decide to order online, you will be directed to LOOP and there are easy steps to follow.

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LISA DONALDSON APD- FOUNDER OF FEEDINC. 2010
ACCREDITED PRACTISING DIETITIAN, ACCREDITED
NUTRITIONIST, SPORTS DIETITIAN, GROUP FITNESS
INSTRUCTOR & EDUCATOR

Lisa’s journey to become a dietitian was a personal one. She was diagnosed with Coeliac Disease, lactose intolerance, gastrointestinal upsets and a kidney condition over ten years ago. Her desire to feel better was enough to send her back to university, despite loving her role as a school teacher.

Lisa is empathetic to anyone who has recently been diagnosed with any condition; she has been there and knows it can be tough! With a background in education and fitness she has a large tool box of skills and strategies to help you achieve your goals... Her daily mantra is ‘make life happen’. In life she truly believes anything is possible and is here to lead the way.

Lisa spent 2 years working alongside her mentor Channel 9 nutritionist Dr Joanna McMillan in Sydney who taught her the skill of presenting complex information in the simplest way. During that time she started working for an online health program, where she is currently the Nutrition Support Lead for an excellent team of Dietitians.

Lisa regularly writes for magazines and websites, as well as presents to a range of audiences. She is a fortnightly columnist for Out in Canberra http://www.outincanberra.com.au. She is regularly interviewed for ABC Canberra, along with other local radio stations and WIN News. With a background in public speaking, Lisa is keen to share her knowledge.

Lisa is also the acting head of Nutrition in the Health Sciences Department at CIT and is a presenter for Nutrition Australia ACT and a Fresh Tastes Educator.

Lisa will be running a Parent Workshop in our School Library at 2:30pm on Thursday, 27 July. It is essentially designed to help parents implement healthy options at home - including what they send to school in lunchboxes.
St Vincent’s Primary School

Bush Dance

Friday, 2nd June at 6.30pm

Polish your boots, saddle the horses and come on down to Strip the Willow at the biggest social event of Term 2!

What better way to get to know our school community than while you’re stamping out the Heel and Toe Polka? Mums and Dads, it’s your time to shine! Let’s show the kids how to cut a rug!

Live music

TICKETS $10 per family purchased from Mrs Watson at the Front Office.

Dancing feet need fuel and families are asked to bring a plate or two of food to share, according to their child/ren’s class groups:

- Kinder Yellow: Sweet
- Year 2 Yellow: Sweet
- Year 3/4 Yellow: Sweet
- Year 5 Yellow: Sweet
- Year 1 Blue: Savoury
- Year 3/4 Blue: Savoury
- Year 5 Blue: Savoury
- Year 6 Blue: Savoury

Raffle tickets will be sold on the night for the major prize of a $500 Travel Voucher from Jamison Travel. Be there to win! $2